

"THE SAME TO YOU."

THE BOTTOM OF THE BUSINESS.

The last papers from Washington and Honolulu were full of important news bearing on the labor situation in Hawaii which would have been gloomy Christmas reading if it had not been accompanied by sugar quotations of four cents. Senator Burton, who was such a terror to the Honolulu gang during the Senatorial Inquisition, surprised his political enemies in Hawaii by fearlessly championing on the floor of the Senate, an open door in Hawaii to Chinese labor. He was promptly sat upon by his colleagues from various parts of the Union. However his detractors in Hawaii, it is said, feel like kicking themselves. But the hope of more Chinese laborers has gone glimmering for the present.

Then came the report of the Immigration Commissioner with a provision to make it harder for Hawaii to procure labor from Japan. Porto Rico has been tried with disastrous results. The American field hand has also had his innings in Hawaii and he is a misfit.

This all points to an acute problem in Hawaii's industrial situation. But it also raises a broader question relating to the American policy of expansion.

If the hoisting of the American flag over a group of Islands, and the application of American laws, operate as forces to hamper or crush the prosperity of the new Territory, is such a policy just? Is such a policy one that should be blindly followed until it is too late to mend the wrong?

Or, if the United States in the wisdom of her statesmen, sees fit to break over the traditions of early history and take unto herself colonies, should she not devise a colonial policy to fit the new departure? Such a policy should be one that would promote the prosperity of the colony, implanting at the same time, American ideas and principles of justice and equality in the making and administration of colonial laws. If a labor law good for interests on the Mainland is a detriment and a curse to Island interests, are the rules of justice so inflexible that it cannot be modified for the good of all and to the detriment of none. Impoverished colonial possessions will not prove a source of strength to the Union. Expansion along such lines is like annexing a piece of the Sahara Desert to a flourishing farm.

At home the flag is the synonym of prosperity. It can be made so in the new provinces, but not without legislation intelligently directed and applied to meet the new conditions.

HONOLULU'S CHRISTMAS GIFT.

Honolulu has reason to rejoice this Christmas, A. D. 1902. The coming of the cable puts Honolulu in touch with the world and in this day of progress and civilization, to be out of touch with the world is to be off the map and out of the procession. Hilo congratulates Honolulu upon her magnificent Christmas gift, reserving part of the congratulations to herself, as she expects to participate in the benefits of the cable.

It is not a testimonial to the wide-awakeness of Honolulu if she does not exert some influence in the fight between San Francisco and Seattle over the army transport business. If Seattle steals the business from San Francisco, Honolulu will be out of the line of traffic, be it large or small.

Hilo has celebrated the 1902nd anniversary of the advent of Jesus Christ in a manner eminently creditable to all—especially to the women and children.

A LIVELY MONTH AHEAD.

The next month in Hilo will see the town full of visitors. A great many people always come in to attend the Hilo races. Then the week following the January term of the Fourth Circuit Court opens bringing jurors and litigants and lawyers from all parts of the Islands. Late in January comes the United States District Court with new Judge, Court officers and litigants and lawyers. There will be no post-holiday dull season in Hilo this year.

If one has made the rounds of all the churches this week and noted the number and quality of boys and girls in the town, it will be an easy matter to picture what Hilo will be in ten years. If nobody comes to our town to settle within the next decade, it does not matter. These children will have grown to young man and womanhood. There are several hundreds of them in Hilo. It is necessary that places be open to this small multitude, that it may enter upon the labors of a life of usefulness. Therefore Hilo must expand to take care of her own.

Hilo has had a fairly prosperous year during 1902 and the signs point to a better business all around for 1903. The upward trend of sugar is the basis for our main hope for better times. Favorable appropriations by Congress for needed improvements in Hilo harbor and a successful termination of the negotiations for capital to construct the Hilo-Kohala railroad, will make this city the center of attraction in the Islands. These are possibilities for 1903. Whether they come or not Hilo will jog along at a comfortable and prosperous gait anyhow.

LAST week by an error the TRIBUNE stated that Secretary Shaw had recommended to Congress an appropriation of \$50,000 for a breakwater for Hilo bay. The recommendation was for an appropriation of \$500,000.

THE Road Board is to be commended for at last tackling that bad piece of road at the Postoffice corner.

IRON IN TEXAS.

Chicago Men Acquire Great Mineral Interests.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Through the efforts of the industrial department of the Southern Pacific, the famous iron mountain at Llano, Tex., on the Houston and Texas Central road, has been sold to a syndicate composed of Chicago capitalists.

The officials of the Southern Pacific will not give the names of the purchasers, but they are said to also be interested in one of the largest steel corporations in the West. The price paid for the mountain of mineral is \$300,000. The new purchasers will erect smelters and begin active mining at Llano as soon as the necessary plant can be installed. No one knows how rich the Llano iron mountain is, but experts have stated that there is upon the surface sufficient ore to keep a mammoth smelter busy for years, and that there is evidence of an almost inexhaustible supply.

Besides iron ore, the land purchased contains rich deposits of lead, zinc, graphite, granite, asbestos, mica and traces of gold and silver. Twelve years ago Llano had a great boom on account of the iron mountain, and it was purchased for investment purposes. A large town sprang up there and realty prices soared to the sky. The owners of the iron mountain got an offer of \$1,000,000 for it, but held out for \$1,500,000.

Putting It Strong.

According to the Hilo news the Rainy City has not wasted much time upon deciding about a site for its Federal building. A piece of government land has been chosen and every body has agreed. This is one of the few times that unanimity has reigned among the Hiloites who usually are as divided as we are.—Star.

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He thought the Chinese should be allowed to go to Hawaii for agricultural purposes only. He added that he thought such immigrants should be placed under bonds, and in response to Bacon said he did not consider that such conditions would render the Chinese a slave.

Hoar asked Burton whether he would favor the admission of Chinese to do agricultural labor in the United States. The reply was in the negative.

"Then," said Hoar, "are you doing to Hawaii as you would do to the United States?"

"Yes," was the reply. "The white man will labor in the mainland, while he will not in Hawaii."

Bailey of Texas made objections to the proposition to invite Chinese to come to Hawaii and then to deport them when they become skilled laborers.

Burton replied that this view was inspired by the political opinions of the Texas Senator. It could not be shown that the fortunes of the Chinese would be rendered worse by the change. On the contrary, he would be distinctly benefited. He would not be bound to come and could remain in his own country if he so desired. In conclusion, Burton made a plea for the consideration of the amendment at the hands of the Committee on Immigration, but Penrose, speaking for the committee, declined to do so, as, he said, the amendment was premature and also was not germane. He moved that the amendment be laid on the table. The motion prevailed, without division.

Its Their Way.

The petty spiteful tomfoolery with which factional journals attempt to discredit Judge Little of Hilo has a boomerang action that leaves the Judge unscathed in the mind of self-respecting citizens.—Evening Bulletin.

If they can't use a man they will consistently abuse him.

Installation of Officers.

Kilauea Lodge No. 330, F. and A. M. The installation of officers of the above Lodge will be held on Saturday, December 27, 1902, at 7:30 p. m. All sojourning and visiting Brethren are fraternally invited to attend. I. E. RAY, Secretary.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First Bank of Hilo, Ltd., will be held at the Bank, Peacock Block, Hilo, on Saturday the 10th day of January, 1903, at 2 p. m. A. E. SUTTON, Secretary. Hilo, December 22, 1902.

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In the Furniture Department you will find Fancy Tables, Rockers, Pedestals, Side Boards, Dining Tables, (round and square) Morris Chairs, Ladies' Dressing Tables, Office Chairs, Hall Trees.

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In the Crockery Department an unending variety of staple and fancy China and Glassware, including Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Steins, Vases, Fancy Cups and Saucers, Chafing Dishes, Cut Glass, Hanging Lamps, Stand Lamps, Fine Toilet Sets.

GROCERY DEPARTMENT

In the Grocery Department a few of the most seasonable things are Frozen Oysters, Frozen Turkeys, Frozen Chickens, Cranberries, Almore's Mince Meat in Glass, Plum Pudding, McLarens Cheese, Maple Syrup, Jams and Jellies.

DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT

In the Dry Goods Department are Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Shirt Waists, Ladies' Hats, Children's Fancy Hats, Sofa Pillows, Fine Umbrellas, Table Cloths and Napkins to match, Gold Cuff Links, Gold Stick Pins, Silver Tableware, Bells, Cigar Cutters, Tea Balls, Book Marks, Purses, Souvenir Spoons, Shoes and Slippers, Hats and Caps. Many of the above goods have just arrived by the "Enterprise" and will be found especially desirable and cheap.

E. N. HOLMES

NEW YEAR RACING

HOOLULU PARK, HILO

AT ONE O'CLOCK SHARP

The management of the Hoolulu Park have decided to give the people of Hilo a first class program of racing on New Year's Day. The purses will be liberal and an invitation is extended to all horsemen of the Hawaiian Islands to enter their horses.

The following purses and trophies are announced:

1. 1/4 mile free for all. Purse.....\$100.
\$25 of purse to second horse.
2. 1 mile trot or pace. Best 2 in 3 heats. 2:18 class, for Holmes Cup. Purse. 150.
3. 1/2 mile Japanese race..... 50.
\$15 of purse to second horse.
4. 3/4 mile free for all. 100.
\$25 to second horse.
5. 1/2 mile ladies race..... 25.
\$5 of purse to second horse.
6. 1 mile free for all. Purse..... 100
\$25 of purse to second horse. Hilo Mercantile Cup.
7. 1/2 mile Japanese race..... 25.
\$5 of purse to second horse.
8. 5/8 mile free for all..... 100.
\$25 of purse to second horse.
9. Gentlemen's driving race..... 100.
\$25 to second horse.

CONDITIONS

Entries close Monday December 29 at 12 noon. Scratches close Tuesday, December 30, at 8 a. m., at Volcano Stables office. Ten per cent. of purse to enter; three to enter, three to start.

\$100 is offered towards defraying expenses of Polo Teams from Honolulu and Maui to play against Hilo Team.

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